

MOOSERS HOLD BIG MEETING

Gather in Louisville For State Pow Wow.

State Headquarters Soon to be Opened at Galt House.

Louisville, Kentucky, June 10.—That the Progressive Party in the State of Kentucky is going into the coming campaign with better organization and more enthusiasm than at any time since its organization, was made clear yesterday afternoon at a meeting of leaders of the movement held in the "blue room" at the Galt House.

About seventy-five workers from all sections of the State attended and made encouraging reports on the condition of the party in the various districts. It was shown that the shies are holding firmly and that there are constant additions to the ranks from the Republican and Democratic parties.

This is accounted for, not only because of the principles advocated by the Bull Moose organization, but on account of the dissatisfaction of the Democrats with the Wilson Administration and the discouragement of the Republicans at the hopelessness of their cause.

One result of the meeting was the announcement late yesterday afternoon that the Progressive party will open State headquarters in the Galt House about the middle of July and will maintain offices there until the close of the campaign, in November. State Chairman W. S. Lawwill, of Dawsonville, will be in charge with a corps of assistants.

The conference developed an abundance of timber for senatorial and congressional candidates. It is practically assured that in each district there will be several candidates for the nomination for Congress.

Already, George W. Jolly, of Owensboro, has announced his candidacy for the nomination for United States Senator, and he received hearty congratulations and promises of support yesterday. From present indications there will be five or six Progressive candidates for this nomination, and it is almost certain that Louisville will offer at least one of those.

Speakers at the meeting expressed confidence in the ability of the Progressive party to elect many of the Congressmen from the State next November, as well as the United States Senator.

It was the sense of the meeting that overtures from the Republican party could not be considered, but that any members of either of the old parties who were dissatisfied and were willing to endorse the principles of the Progressive party would be heartily welcomed into its ranks. It was emphatically declared that Progressives regard party principles above office and that they can not for an instant consider any trades or deals that have for their object the winning of office regardless of party principles.

This was one of the thoughts emphasized by Chairman Lawwill in his remarks calling the meeting to order. He felicitated those present on the good attendance, on the hottest day of the year and called attention to the fact that it was a convincing answer to the enemies of the party who have been endeavoring to create the impression that the party is a "dead one."

Mr. Lawwill called upon leaders from the various districts, and there were hearty responses. J. N. Hazelip, from the First District, declared that down his way the Progressives were making constant gains and would have a fighting candidate for Congress.

He was followed by George W. Jolly of Owensboro. He reported a lively interest in the Second District and urged that each district get out several candidates. He laughed at the idea that the party was going backward.

After Mr. Jolly came speakers from each district and all were very en-

thusiastic as to the future of the party.—Louisville Herald.

Joshua Fields Married.

Miss Mary Rowe is in receipt of a letter stating that her nephew, Mr. Joshua Fields, of Port Arthur, Tex., was married on the first of June at 12 o'clock. His bride was Miss Elvora Schaefer and they were married at Eureka, Ill., returning immediately after the ceremony to Port Arthur. Mrs. Fields is of a prominent family and is said to be very pretty. The wedding was the result of a romance which had its beginning while Mrs. Fields was visiting in Port Arthur.

This comes as a surprise to the very many friends of "Josh" here and every one of them would like to congratulate him personally. He was born and raised in Hartford but for several years has been in the banking business in Port Arthur where he has made good from the start.

Reed's Store Burns.

Hopkinsville, Ky., June 8.—J. D. Reed's dry goods store on South Main street was gutted by flames at 2:30 o'clock this morning. Mr. Reed valued his stock at \$12,000. The insurance is \$7,500. The building, which belonged to the Hopper estate is damaged \$1,000, covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

NOTE—Reed formerly owned and conducted a merchandise business in this city and his acquaintances will be interested in the above.

EDITORS MEET AT DAWSON SPRINGS

Scribes and Families Gather From All Parts For Annual Meet.

Dawson Springs, Ky., June 11.—The forty-fourth annual summer meeting of the Kentucky Press Association opened its present session in this city Monday night at 8 o'clock, the association being called to order by President John S. Lawrence, of the Cadiz Record. The meeting will continue until Friday morning.

Editors from all over the State have been in attendance and many of them have their families and friends with them. Every effort has been put forth by the Commercial Club and citizens of Dawson to entertain the pencil pushers while here and that they have succeeded admirably is attested by all.

Following the call of the meeting to order by the president, Rev. W. B. Wright, of the Christian church, offered prayer. Will P. Scott, of this city, former member of the association, delivered the welcome address and made the newspaper boys feel very much at home.

All sorts of business has been transacted during the session. Papers on various subjects have been read and round table discussions indulged in. Social features, too, have not been lacking. A ball game was played Wednesday afternoon between the editors of East Kentucky and West Kentucky. The game resulted 8 to 7 in favor of West Kentucky. President Frank Bassett, of the Kitty League, umpired.

Jolly in Senate Race.

Frankfort, Ky., June 8.—On the eve of the final anti-primary meeting of the Republican State Central Committee, which in its previous convocations has evinced an inclination to moderate differences with the Progressives, George W. Jolly, of Owensboro, former Collector of the Second District, filed his petition with Assistant Secretary of State Cecil H. Vansant to-day, requesting that his name be placed on the August primary ballot as candidate for the Progressive nomination for United States Senator. He is the first Progressive or Republican to go so far as to file a petition. It did not conform to the requirements of the primary law, and was returned to him for correction.

Notice.

The next examination for white teachers, both for county and State certificates will be held at Fordsville on Friday and Saturday, June 19-20, 1914. OZNA SHULTZ, S. S. O. C.

CONTEST MAKES LITTLE CHANGE

Smith and Blankenship Will Retain Offices.

Efforts of Democrats To Oust County Officials Prove Futile—Gain Shown.

The contest cases came before Judge Birkhead at this term of court and work of recounting the ballots has been in progress. An accurate result of the contest could not be obtained for this issue as several precincts are yet to be counted. The final count was not completed yesterday as was thought but will probably be finished to-day.

There is no doubt as to the result, however, for Mr. Smith and Mr. Blankenship, candidates for county attorney and county clerk respectively, have, instead of losing, gained. When interviewed yesterday they seemed confident and expressed no fear of losing their offices. The contestants, Mr. Sanderfur and Mr. Renfrow, gained a few votes in some precincts but these were offset by losses in others.

We give below the result of the recount up to yesterday afternoon.

Smith's gain—Sulphur Springs, 5; Cromwell, 1; Cool Springs, 1; South Rockport, 2; Horse Branch, 9; Rosine, 2; W. Fordville, 1; Shreve, 1; Point Pleasant, 1. Total 23.

Smith's loss—North Rockport, 10; West Beaver Dam, 2. Total 12.

Sanderfur's gain—W. Hartford, 1; Beda, 2; N. Rockport, 12; S. Rockport, 5; E. Fordville, 1. Total 21.

Sanderfur's loss—E. Hartford, 1; Sulphur Springs, 1; McHenry, 2; Horse Branch, 2; Centertown, 4; Smallhous, 2; W. Fordville, 1; Shreve, 1; Point Pleasant, 1. Total 15.

Mr. Smith's majority is now 37.

Blankenship's gain—E. Hartford, 1; W. Hartford, 1; Beda, 1; Sulphur Springs, 7; Cromwell, 1; Cool Springs, 1; S. Rockport, 4; Horse Branch, 4; Rosine, 1; E. Beaver Dam, 2; W. Fordville, 1; Buford, 1. Total 25.

Blankenship's loss—N. Rockport, 5; Smallhous, 1; Bartlett, 1; Point Pleasant, 1. Total 8.

Renfrow's gain—Cool Springs, 1; N. Rockport, 2; Horse Branch, 1; E. Fordville, 1. Total 4.

Renfrow's loss—Sulphur Springs, 2; N. Rockport, 1; Rosine, 1; Centertown, 2; Smallhous, 1; Shreve, 1; O'aton, 1; Pt. Pleasant, 1. Total 10.

Mr. Blankenship figures his majority at 52 at the present count. It was 29 in the official. Smith was given 25 in the official but it is now about 30.

In addition to this there are from 25 to 40 votes that will likely be proven illegal by the contestants if it comes to trial.

It is thought no further action will be taken by the contestants after the present re-count is completed.

What Is It?

A few days ago Masters Charlie and Wilson Ward, of No Creek neighborhood, sent to this office a strange mix-up in plant life. A pure and well defined stalk of common cane, cut in rough river bottom where this growth has always been plentiful, heavily seeded with a grain resembling wheat or oats. In the husk more like oats, but almost as large, when shelled, and plump as grains of wheat. The stalk is very weighty with its strange crop of grain and would undoubtedly make an excellent form of feed both for man and beast, if it can be reproduced. It has been examined by many persons who pronounce it a great curiosity. An attempt will be made to grow this strange plant from the seed.

K. of P's Elect Officers.

At the regular meeting of the K. of P. lodge Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Jesse R. Hoover, C. C.; McDowell A. Fogle, V. C.; H. E. Brown, Prelate; J. W. Taylor, M. of W.; W. W. Riley, M. of A.; A. Rial, I. G.; A. E. Pate, O. G. All the members are urged to be present next Tuesday evening, June 16, for which you will all be well repaid. J. W. TAYLOR, C. C.

REPEAL MEASURE CERTAIN TO PASS

Senate Adopts Compromise to Original Bill.

Declares U. S. Shall Not Relinquish Rights Under Treaty.

Washington, June 10.—The Senate tonight cleared away most of the legislative barriers in the way of a final vote on the canal tolls exemption repeal bill, and unless there are unforeseen developments, the fight which has raged in Congress over this measure for many months, will come to close before adjournment.

Votes taken tonight on amendments designed to preserve any right the United States possesses under the Hay-Pauncefote treaty with Great Britain to exempt American ships from toll payment thru the Panama Canal indicated that the forces of repeal will win by a substantial majority.

Senator Simmons, who has led the fight for repeal, has estimated that the bill will carry by not fewer than ten votes, and there was every promise that his estimate will prove correct.

There was no real test of strength in the voting tonight, but the repeal forces won the first round of the fight when they put thru, by a vote of 50 to 24, the so-called Simmons-Norris amendment, which declares that the United States does not waive nor relinquish any right it may have to exempt American ships from payment of tolls thru the Panama Canal. Both sides had conceded that this amendment would carry, but it had been the subject of attack for many hours today and when the large majority was announced many Senators were surprised.

Altho two subsequent attempts to change the language of the amendment so that it would refer to a right the United States has instead of any right it may have, were defeated with ease; but neither vote was so decisive as that on the Simmons amendment. One modifying amendment by Senator Sutherland was beaten 49 to 33, and the second proposed by Senator Cummins suffered a like fate by a vote of 49 to 37.

Of the fifty Senators who voted for the Simmons amendment thirty-six were Democrats and thirteen were Republicans and the other vote was cast by Senator Poinsett, Progressive. Nine Democrats and fifteen Republicans voted against the amendment. In the votes on the two substitutes offered there were several changes but the alignment of Democrats remained about the same as on the first vote.

Attempts will be made tomorrow to put thru other amendments regarding American rights as to toll exemption and American sovereignty over the canal, but the repeal forces are believed to be sufficiently strong to dispose of the passage of the bill itself.

There were several expressions during the debate today of a desire to submit the dispute with Great Britain to arbitration after the repeal bill is passed.

It has been currently reported in the Senate for several days that an arbitration resolution will be presented after the passage of the bill. Senator Sutherland's arbitration amendment already has received the approval of the foreign Relations Committee and Senator Norris is expected to renew his proposal of the same sort made several weeks ago. A serious attempt to put thru an arbitration resolution however may be opposed by Democratic leaders who are anxious to take up pending antitrust legislation as soon as possible.

Altho the debate tonight grew warm at times there was the absence of campaign oratory which was frequently marked the progress of the bill to a final stage. The first vote came when the Senate was not looking for it and found twenty-one Senators absent from the chamber or out of town. The galleries were only half filled but as the evening wore on the crowds grew larger and when the

last vote was taken they were well filled.

This was the first test vote after six weeks of debate on the repeal bill. Even the most optimistic Senators who favored repeal had not expected the amendment to carry by so large a majority. It is not believed, however, that the bill itself can be put through by so great a margin.

Negro Girls Plead Guilty.

Clyde Rucker and Evangeline Johnson, colored, plead guilty yesterday afternoon in circuit court to taking a pocket book, belonging to "Aunt" Ellen Lewis, also colored, and squandering the contents. They were given from twelve to thirteen months and will probably be taken to Hidyville to-morrow.

"Aunt" Ellen lost the purse Sunday afternoon in an alley in Hayti and it was found by the girls a few minutes after "Aunt" Ellen claims she questioned them but they denied knowing anything whatever of the money. Later she learned of extensive purchases made by the two girls at Carson & Co's., Fair's and Acton & Bro's., and made investigations. Evidence sufficient to indict was found and less than an hour after the grand jury made the indictment the sentence had been pronounced.

"Aunt" Ellen says she had \$33.35 in the pocket book. Swell dresses and confections of all kinds were enjoyed by the "girls" but they must pay dearly for their high living.

ANOTHER HAT IN SENATORIAL RING

Hon. R. P. Ernst Makes Formal Announcement of Candidacy.

Covington, Ky., June 8.—Formal announcement of the candidacy for the Republican nomination for United States Senator was made today by Richard P. Ernst.

Mr. Ernst is immensely popular in this section not only with Republicans but in Democratic and Progressive circles as well and it is predicted that should former Governor Beckham secure the nomination it is generally conceded that Ernst will secure hundreds of Democratic votes in Kenton County.

For many years Mr. Ernst has been active in the political life of Kentucky. Altho one of the minority party for many years, he has always been a clean-handed fighter and aided largely in the successes which have come to his party.

For years Mr. Ernst was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, for four years its chairman and now is serving as the Republican member of the State Board of Elections.

It was due to him that permanent headquarters for the organization were established and since maintained in Louisville. He frequently has been a delegate to the State and National Republican conventions.

He was elected to the Covington City Council in 1886. The majority of the board was Democratic, but recognizing the abilities of Mr. Ernst and his municipal devotion, the Democratic majority elected him president of Council, and at no time regretted the action. He served as president of Council for three years.

Worst Firebug Known

Few people ever saw the lightning strike anything and yet it visits houses and barns frequently enough with its fearful stroke to compel the insurance companies to take notice of it. Parents, teachers and books warn children not to take refuge under a tree in a thunderstorm, as there is greater danger of the lightning striking them there. Competent authorities reports that over one-half the forest fires of the nation are the result of lightning. Twenty-two States last year reported forest fires started in this manner. California suffered the most; there were 700 different forest fires started by lightning in that State alone. A single storm started a string of fires in that State that extended 750 miles—from Oregon to Mexico. Neither the locomotive nor the campers have started anything like the number of fires caused by lightning.

INSURANCE MEN AGREE TO RETURN

If Terms Are Accepted by The State.

Agree to Suspend Operations of Glenn Bill and Adopt New Measure.

At 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the announcement was made that a tentative agreement has been reached between representatives of the State and representatives of the fire insurance companies whereby the foreign insurance companies agree to at once return to Kentucky, with lower rates prevailing for some classes of property and higher rates for certain classes of "unprotected property."

Although the conferees are very close to a final agreement the task of putting it in writing remained, and was expected that it would require several hours to do this, and afterward it will be necessary to send the written document to Frankfort to Governor McCreary for his approval. However, it seems to be certain that the dispute is at last settled and the long drawn-out uncertainty is over.

The terms of the agreement, which are found below in this issue, are satisfactory to the business men of the State, to the State officers and to the insurance companies.

The conferees adjourned at 2 o'clock to meet again at 4 with the text of the written agreement still uncompleted. There seems, however, to be only the slightest chance of any serious hitch arising.

Gov. James B. McCreary sat in the conference for a time and assisted Attorney General Garnett and State Auditor Bosworth in the task of settling the long-drawn-out fight. The conference, which was in session for some hours Tuesday, was resumed at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and Attorney General Garnett, although unwilling to discuss the terms of the proposed settlement, stated to the Evening Post that he was nearly certain that the fight is over and that a satisfactory settlement will be announced soon.

The terms of agreement are as follows:

First—The insurance companies agree to the principle of State regulation of fire insurance companies and to return to the State of Kentucky at once.

Second—The State officers agree, in substance, to suspend the operations of the Glenn bill and to refrain from putting certain heavy expenses entailed by that bill upon the insurance companies. A test of the constitutionality of the bill will be made.

Third—A commission of three will be named to study the fire insurance situation and recommend a new law to the next Legislature, which will take the place of both the Glenn bill and the Zorn bill. One of these commissioners will be named by the business organizations of Kentucky, one by the State Insurance Board and one by the insurance companies. The insurance companies will pay the expenses of this commission.

Fourth—The insurance companies agree to put into effect at once orders issued a year ago by the State Rating Board, providing for an average reduction of 10 per cent in the charges for insurance upon residence property in the cities and towns, and for a 15 per cent reduction upon loose leaf tobacco.

Fifth—There will be a readjustment in the rates upon "unprotected business property." This means business property in places where there is no protection against fire loss. These rates will be increased from 15 to 25 per cent, but will be reduced again as rapidly as fire protection is secured. It is believed that this offers an inducement to protection against fire that will substantially reduce the fire loss in Kentucky.—Louisville Post.

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